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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO/SB/08. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

This Information Disclosure Statement accompanies the new patent application submitted herewith.

A summary/abstract translation of the non-English language references is enclosed.

Applicant has not submitted copies of each cited U.S. patent and U.S. patent application as required by 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2)(i), amended October 2004, as the U.S. Patent and

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Trademark Office has waived this requirement for all U.S. patent applications. Applicant submits

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A concise explanation of relevance of the items listed on form PTO/SB/08 is in the

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It is submitted that the Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with 37

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The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed,

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